

PRESENT: Morley Hegstrom-RMS Principal, Nancy Collie-Volunteer Coordinator, Melanie MacKinnon-PAR co-convenor, Maggie Carlson-PAR secretary, Coleen Alexander-PAR treasurer, Jeremy Hansen, Ann Cole, Carrie

You are welcome to come before PAR meetings from 8:45-9am, the 3rd Friday each month, for coffee and a chance to chat with Morley and Juan. Business meeting from 9-10:30am.

INTRODUCTIONS – Good Morning and Welcome - Melanie MacKinnon
melaniem50@gmail.com

Please introduce yourself and name/grade of your student.

ANNOUNCEMENT – Morley Hegstrom - School Budget

A) THE STATE OF RMS

March 6th we should find out about staffing loss. We may lose 2-3 FTE's. The School year will not end early. PE Requirement will probably be gone next year.

1.2 million dollar Math adoption is now delayed district wide. Roosevelt feels strongly about this program and wished to continue at least in updating our Algebra books. The books are outdated at present. This would mean around \$60-70 per book for 80-100 books = \$7,000. We hope to raise this money for Roosevelt.

B) LUNCH PASS

With the budget cuts, everything is going on the table and classified staff is no longer safe from cuts. To let students continue to go over to lunch across the street costs the school around \$6,500 a year. This pays for Walt's classified time. This is an area the school may want to cut.

Going across the street for lunch started in the 1970's when RMS had between 850 and 900 students and could not fit them all in the lunch room.

A proposal to see if businesses across the street would be willing to donate the funds needed to keep the program going is being headed by Deb McCarty dlmmc@msn.com and Maggie Carlson scottc15@yahoo.com Please email with your comments and opinions on this topic.

C) RETIREMENTS AT RMS-

Morley is retiring after this school year. It is not known who will be the next Principal. It will depend on school closures, and which Principals will need jobs. This is something that might not be announced until closer to the start of next year. This is because Principal can transfer by putting in a request. Interviews will not happen as long as there is someone who would like to transfer. A Vice Principal

could not transfer into a Principle position. That would take an opening and an interview.

AGENDA –

1) Volunteer Coordinator – Nancy Collie collie_n@4j.lane.edu

a) Activity Night – Quiet/Movie room added to last Activity Night was successful and will always be a part of Activity Night. There was a low count of attendees at around 400 students. This maybe due to a long weekend, Presidents Weekend. Great evening. The student Government “Hunt for a Heart” was a hit.

Next Activity Night will be Thursday, May 14th 2009 (no school on Friday). Volunteers are always needed, contact Nancy Collie, above email.

b) Cultural Festival – March 5th, 2009 Carrie ___ is Coordinator.
Dee Ryley is the Teacher coordinator this year.

They would like refreshments to be no charge. To limit students from taking too many cookies at one time, there will be parent volunteers distributing and maybe hand stamps. Cookies have been ordered from South Fork (SEHS caterer) at \$60 for cookies and \$30 for punch.

c) 7th and 8th Grade Trips –

These are still being worked on. Trips take place in June. 8th graders will go to Honeyman state park and 7th graders will maybe go to Springfield Sports Center, although other options are being looked at. Many volunteers are needed.

2) Showcase Roosevelt – Friday, May 1st from 6-9pm, Coordinator Deb McCarty dmmc@msn.com

Coordinators have been set for all areas. First Coordinator meeting will be Tuesday, March 10th from 1:30 to 3:00pm. All are welcome.

House Baskets and Food, are set. Silent Auction items donated from businesses are coming in. EEF raffle will be a two night stay at Sun River Resort sponsored by Dr. Hoffman and Sun River Resorts.

3) Scrip and escrip – Maggie Carlson scottc15@yahoo.com 484-9286

Recommendation discussed at last PAR meeting: for free entry to Activity Night to any student with a signed sheet saying their family signed up for escrip. Idea will still be looked into for next Activity Night.

Albertsons is requiring us to re link our Albertsons preferred savings card with our organization, Roosevelt. This needs to be done by Feb 28th in order to keep funding going. Re-linking after Feb 28th is ok, it just means there will be a gap of time for money coming in to RMS. An auto dialer will go out this week to remind people, information has been in the enews the last two weeks, and on the web sit. It will also go into the on line newsletter. We can expect our funds received from Albertsons to decrease dramatically. Last month we received a \$400 check from Albertsons.

Advertisement will go out about being able to purchase and rent instruments for band from Pacific Winds with Unique Eugene grocery scrip. 10% goes to RMS.

4)Treasurer Report – Colleen Alexander

Escrip is bringing in \$500 to \$1,100 per month. Overall we are currently taking in more than we are spending.

GRANT REQUESTS:

McKinney Students (Transitional students) are out of funds for Food/Snacks. Much of the food had been donated, and received through Federal program support. They are requesting \$200. Vote taken: 100% yes, to grant request.

Request comes from the 6th grade Cultural Fair for \$100 to pay for Cookies and drinks for parents and students to enjoy the night of the Fair. Vote taken: 100% yes, to grant request.

5) Site Counsel – Morley Hegstrom and Melanie MacKinnon melaniem50@gmail.com

a) **Registration**

Kathy Herrmann and Carrie Hancock caryhancock13@hotmail.com presented to Site Counsel a change in registration from Arena to Computerized Registration. Present also were Melanie MacKinnon (PAR) and Eric Anderson (Vice Principle, SEHS) anderson_er@4j.lane.edu
South Eugene High School has gone to Computerized Registration.

Teachers at site counsel were not supportive of this recommendation. They were worried about 1. Losing choice for students, 2. Losing the personal advising students get from teachers, and 3. The difficulty of the change, Maybe losing choice for teachers as well.

Recommendation says:

- Advisement/House would continue.
- Choice of which class and which teacher would continue. The choice of the class time/period would not continue.

A big thank you needs to go out to Kathy Herrmann and Carrie Hancock for all the hours they have put into this proposal, for all the knowledge they have in this area, and for all

the working hours they had put into arena registration. They have each coordinated for many years.

Site Counsel requested a proposal from Carrie and Kathy. Morley will help create this. It will then go to staff for a vote, then back to Site Counsel for the ultimate vote.

8) PAR evening education meeting – Melanie MacKinnon spoke, Deb not present. Deb McCarty dlmmc@msn.com

a) Next meeting

Parent Education Series

March 19, 2009

RMS Library

RMS “Hot Topics” 7:00 – 7:30 p.m.

“Next Stop: South Eugene High School” 7:30 - 8:30 p.m.

Randy Bernstein, Principal & Eric Anderson, Assnt. Principal
South Eugene High School

Please join us for the next PAR parent education meeting. The evening will begin with presentations by Morley, RMS principal, & Juan, RMS assistant principal & PAR committee members regarding current important **“Hot Topics”** related to Roosevelt including curriculum, impact of budget cuts, school funding, programs, activities and more. Morley & Juan will welcome parent’s questions during this time as well. This informative and important half hour will be followed by **“Next Stop: South Eugene High School”**, with Randy Bernstein, Principal & Eric Anderson, Assnt. Principal, South Eugene High School (SEHS).

Randy & Eric will provide an overview of what this great high school offers students in regards to curriculum choices and a variety of programs. They will also outline various academic prerequisites, as well as explain the changes in educational (and graduation) requirements. In addition, they will talk about unique programs & services provided for freshmen. There will be time for questions as well. Please mark your calendar now and don’t miss this opportunity to meet Randy & Eric & to learn more about high school transition, the exciting “next stop” on our student’s educational journeys.

The purpose of our evening PAR Parent Education Series is to meet the needs of the RMS community with information and educational topics relevant to parents of pre-teens and teens. If you have suggestions of topics or speakers for future meetings, we’d welcome your input.

In addition, we would appreciate your input as to whether or not you would prefer to have the PAR business meetings, currently held in the mornings, to be scheduled in the evening, to accommodate working parents. Our goal is to include and involve as many RMS parents as possible in these meetings. The new **“Hot Topics”** format, with an opportunity to discuss current issues with Morley & Juan & receive the latest RMS information prior to our evenings scheduled speaker, is an effort to accommodate all

parents' schedules. **We look forward to seeing you at the meeting!**

Please contact:

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b)PAR education series vs. PAR business meeting

At last Wednesday's PAR Meeting we had a very successful "Hot Topics" for 30 min. A survey was taken at this meeting-

Problems that we are trying to remedy are making sure we are inclusive (for parents that may work during the day or busy during evenings) and keeping attendance up (whether it is PM or AM meeting).

Survey includes 3 options:

1. Continue as we are doing with our business meeting the third Friday of each month from 9-10:30am and the education meeting one night a month in the RMS Library at 7pm.

2. Hold the business meeting just before the evening Educational meeting. Business meeting could be as short as 15min (in which case we would still need a morning business meeting) or as long as 45 min (in which case we might not need a morning meeting)

3. Hold both the Business meeting and Education meeting on different nights in the same month.

Solutions: We will continue the survey for the rest of the year and re evaluate for next year. We will continue having our business meeting the third Friday of each month from 9-10:30am and the education meeting one night a month in the RMS Library with a "Hot Topics" meeting for 30 min prior, to keep people informed.

Hot Topics 7-7:30pm, Education 7:30-8:30pm

Request in meeting: Advertise better for PAR Business meeting. Make it better known what happens at PAR (i.e. voting, reports given). Let people know past PAR minutes are available on web site. And, remember to say "We want more people to attend".

NEXT PAR MEETING IS FRIDAY MARCH 20TH FROM 9-10:30 Discussion
next meeting to ending time. Please join us 8:45 to 9am for good coffee and conversation with Morley
and Juan